

FILTER ELEMENT

Abstract of the Disclosure

A filter element includes a filter cylinder whose outer side rests against a fluid-permeable supporting tube (15). The inside (3) of the filter cylinder can be flown through by the fluid to be filtered. The filter cylinder is formed by a filter mat web. The filter mat web has a series of folds (9) that rest against one another at least in areas. Both ends of the filter mat web are joined to one another at a junction (5) to form an annular body (1). The filter element includes a device that acts upon the junction (5) to prevent, in the area of the junction (5), a bulging of the folds (9) caused by the flow of the fluid.